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HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 19th July, 2025

No.16439—HUD-MUN-MISC-0057/2020 — The following draft of certain rules which the State Government propose to make in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 22 read with Section 18 of the Odisha Municipal Services Act, 2015 (Odisha Act 7 of 2016) further to amend the Urban Local Bodies(Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2018 is hereby published as required by Section 22 of the said Act for information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that the said draft will be taken into consideration on or before dated 20th August, 2025.

Any objection or suggestion which may be received from any person on or before the date specified above will be taken into consideration by the State Government.

Draft

1. Short Title and Commencement — (1) These rules may be called the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Amendment Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

2. In the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2018,for rule 3 the following rule shall be substituted, namely:-

3. "Application of the rules applicable to the Government Employee - The provisions of the O.C.S. (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2020 as amended, from time to time, shall, mutatis and mutandis, be applicable to a member of the family of the employees of the Urban Local Bodies who dies while in service with the following modification, namely:—

Sub-rule (9) of rule 6 of the O.C.S. (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2020 in its application to Urban Local Bodies shall be read as follows:—

"(9) (a) All pending applications, relating to death of Urban Local Bodies employee prior to the date of commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Amendment Rules, 2021 shall be dealt in accordance with the rules prevailing on the date of death of Urban Local Bodies employee for appointment under Rehabilitation Assistance Scheme:

Provided that in case the death of Urban Local Bodies employee occurred on or after commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Amendment Rules, 2018 and before commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Amendment Rules, 2021, shall be governed by the provisions of the Odisha Civil Service (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 1990.

(b) In case the death of ULB employee occurred prior to commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2018 shall be dealt on the basis of distress certificate available in the existing or original application as per the Odisha Civil Service (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 1990.

(c) In case the death of Urban Local Bodies employee occurred on or after commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 2018 and before commencement of the Urban Local Bodies (Rehabilitation Assistance) Amendment Rules, 2021, the appointing authority shall ascertain the present financial distress of the family by calling for a report from Collector of the district in which the family ordinarily resides, as to whether the family is in financial distress as per the provisions of rule 8 of the Odisha Civil Service (Rehabilitation Assistance) Rules, 1990.

Explanation for the distress certificate prescribed under clause (c).-The total annual family income from all sources excluding Family pension and temporary increase must not exceed Rs.1,91,000/-(Rupees One Lakh and Ninety-One Thousand) for a family to be in a 'distress condition'."

(ii) the sub-rule (10) shall be omitted.

4. In the said rules, for rule 9, the following rule shall be substituted, namely.-

"9. Seniority: (1) Seniority of persons, appointed under the Rehabilitation Assistance Scheme, shall be fixed below the persons appointed to the posts as per the provisions of the relevant recruitment rules in a particular Department or Office in that year.

(2) The relative seniority of each person appointed under the Rehabilitation Assistance Scheme in a particular year shall be determined with reference to their date of appointment:

Provided that in case their date of appointment is same, the date of death of the Government servant shall be the factor for determination of relative seniority:

Provided further that in case the date of death of the Government servant is also same, the persons older in age shall be placed higher."

By Order of the Governor
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Principal Secretary to Government